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TO: Honorable Terry Keel, Chair, House Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence

FROM: John S. O'Brien, Deputy Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB3151 by Escobar (Relating to discovery of certain communications with a witness in a criminal case.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would require that communication between parties and witnesses for the prosecution in a criminal case regarding benefits or detriments to the witness as a result of their participation or lack of participation be disclosed to the defense at least 30 days before the trial commences.

Local Government Impact

No significant fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

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